

MARCH 2013

2013 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

A number of traffic safety and law enforcement related bills have been proposed so far this legislative session. There is still a lot of time for bills to be amended or die but the following is a listing of a few that appear to have a decent chance of making it into law. The following is only a brief overview of these bills and is subject to change.

HB 1523 (Mopeds)

The House has passed HB 1523 and it will now move forward to the Senate. Currently the bill repeals the term "motorized bicycle" and replaces the term with "moped". Authorizes the bureau of motor vehicles (bureau) to adopt rules concerning registration of mopeds. Provides that a moped is not required to be titled with the bureau. Provides that mopeds are subject to county motor vehicle excise surtax and motor vehicle excise tax. Provides that a moped may not be operated when carrying more persons than the moped is designed and equipped to carry. Requires the operator of a moped to obey all applicable motor vehicle laws, and that a moped may not be operated at a speed over 30 miles per hour. Provides that a moped must be operated in the right-hand lane, except when making a left-hand turn. Does not require the operator of a moped to have proof of financial responsibility in effect on the motor vehicle.

HB 1368 (Automated traffic enforcement devices in work and school zones and on busses)

After some early momentum the bill which would authorize a county, city, or town to adopt and enforce an ordinance that regulates the placement and use of automated traffic enforcement safety devices to detect certain traffic offenses has stalled. Authorizes the department of transportation and the Indiana finance authority to use devices for the detection of violations of highway work zone speed limits. Authorizes a school corporation to contract with an agent to use devices for detection of school bus stop arm violations (violations). The bill is currently up for its third reading in the House.

IACP VEHICULAR PURSUIT REFRESHER

Vehicular pursuit of fleeing suspects can present a danger to the lives of the public, officers, and suspects involved in the pursuit. Please click [HERE](#) to view IACP's recommended policy on vehicular pursuits

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT: **RURAL DEMONSTRATION PROJECT (RDP) APPLICATIONS DUE 3/15!**

Log into [eGrants](#) to search for the RDP Funding Announcement! Applications due by 11:59pm on March 15, 2013. Late applications will not be accepted.

STATEWIDE SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT WEEKEND: MARCH 8-10, 2013

To increase our high visibility enforcement efforts, OPO and DUI Taskforce agencies are asked to participate in the Statewide Sobriety Checkpoint Weekend which will be held from March 8-10, 2013. If you need assistance setting up and managing a sobriety checkpoint, including assistance with a press kit, please contact your Law Enforcement Liaison.

OPO AND DUI TASKFORCE REPORTING

OPO DATABASE

DUI Taskforces will report ALL activity into the OPO Database by the 10th of the month, for activity completed during the previous month.

ALL OPO Agencies will report ALL BLITZ ACTIVITY within 10 days after the end of the Blitz (enter it into the OPO Database as Blitz Activity).

OPO Agencies who work additional enforcement OUTSIDE OF THE BLITZES (formerly referred to as BCC agencies), will report activity outside of the blitzes by the 10th of the month for activity completed during the previous month. (i.e. January activity should be entered by February 10th). If you work outside of the Blitzes, **DO NOT** report it with your Blitz activity. Only Blitz activity should be reported as Blitz activity.

eGRANTS

ALL DUI AND OPO AGENCIES:
Quarterly PROGRAM and FISCAL reports are due by April 10th, July 10th and October 10th.

If you submit an INTERIM FISCAL report to get paid before the end of the quarterly, you will still need to complete a QUARTERLY FISCAL report.

*****If you have questions about any of this, please contact your LEL BEFORE you submit your reports***

FARS COUNT 2013

THE PROVISIONAL TOTAL OF TRAFFIC FATALITIES AS OF 9:00 A.M. March 1, 2013.						
	DEATHS		CRASHES		REDUCTION OR INCREASE	
	2012	2013	2012	2013	Deaths	Crashes
Rural	61	61	57	56	0	-1
Urban	32	31	31	27	-1	-4
Statewide	93	92	88	83	-1	-5

ICJI Partners with IPAC to Conduct Sobriety Checkpoint Training

On Wednesday February 27, 2013 the Terre Haute Police Department hosted a "Sobriety Checkpoint Training" sponsored by ICJI and the Indiana Prosecuting Attorneys Council. The instructor for the class was Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor, Chris Daniels. A total of 17 officers from Vigo, Dubois and Monroe County attended the training as well as Program Manager John von Arx and LEL Mark E. Hartman.



The purpose of the training was to increase Indiana's High-Visibility Enforcement (HVE) efforts and to promote Sobriety Checkpoints during the St. Patrick's Day blitz period and during the opening rounds of the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament.

Vanderburgh County Deputies Attend University of Evansville Health Fair

Vanderburgh County TSP Lead Coordinator Sgt. Noah Robinson along with VCSD Chief Deputy David Wedding (pictured) attended the University Of Evansville Health Fair on February 21, 2013 to talk with students about traffic safety.



They utilized fatal vision goggles and a power point presentation on distracted driving. Robinson estimates they spoke with 200 students. The VCTSP continues to lead the way in the SW Region in the area of PI&E.

Sullivan High School Awarded \$2,000 Grant



(via mywabashvalley.com) Sullivan High School is being rewarded for trying to keep teen drivers safe. The school was awarded with a \$2,000 grant from State Farm. It's called "Project Ignition," a campaign for safe driving awareness - from buckling up to distracted driving. Sullivan joins two other Indiana schools to win the grant, and was one of just 26 nationwide. Leaders say it means a lot to win because students wrote the grant themselves, and early education is key. The fact is that we all share the road with these brand-new drivers. And I think that if we can educate them, make them more aware that it might not only be saving their lives, but also mine and my family since we share the road with them... is just kind of an important thing," said technology education teacher Brian Wagaman. Sullivan is now competing to be one of the ten Project Ignition National Leader Schools and earn additional funding.

Milltown PD Hosts and Completes Standardized Field Sobriety Training

Milltown Police Department sponsored and completed a DWI Detection and Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST) course January 24, 2013. Fifteen officers were certified and five additional officers were re-certified in the SFST. The participating departments were Milltown Police Department, Crawford County Sheriff's Department, Cannelton Police Department, Lanesville Police and Marengo Police Department. The SFST instructors for the course were Ryan Smith, (Cannelton Police Department) and Ray Saylor, (Milltown Police Department).





TRAFFIC SAFETY DIVISION EVENTS & CONTACT INFO

UPCOMING EVENTS...

DRE TRAINING:

April 22nd through May 2nd - For more information visit www.indianadre.com or contact [Joe Turner](#)

LIFESAVERS CONFERENCE:

**April 13-16, 2013 Denver, CO
www.lifesaversconference.org**

INJURY PREVENTION CONFERENCE:

June 6-7, 2013

<http://www.preventinjury.org/trainingOpp.asp>

To register or for more information contact [Judith Talty](#) at 317-274-2977

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Websites

ARIES (Crash Records): <http://crashreports.in.gov>

Automotive Safety Program (Child Passenger Safety Information and CPS Tech Classes):

www.preventinjury.org

Center for Criminal Justice Research (Traffic Safety Research and Data for Indiana): <http://policyinstitute.iu.edu>

DRE: [Indiana](#) www.indianadre.com [National](#) www.decp.org

Indiana Coroners Association: www.indcoroners.org

Indiana State Department of Toxicology: www.in.gov/isdt

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